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SUBJ: US RELOCATION PROJECTS (U)

A. USMISSION NATO 3357 131735Z JUL 73 (C)

B. INCL TO USAREUR ENGR CMD LTR. AEUEC-BF, 12 JULY 73, U.S.

RELOCATION PROJECTS SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JAN 73

TO 30 JUN 73. (U)

1. (C) REF REVIEWS BACKGROUND/STATUS OF SUBJECT PROGRAM AND

ADVISES THAT:

A. ONE MILLION IAU (\$3.04 MIL) WILL BE WITHHELD BY USNATO
FROM THE US RELOCATION PROGRAM FOR PROPORTIONAL REIMBURSEMENT
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TO NATO DUE TO THE SALE OF REMOVABLE PERSONAL PROPERTY (RPP)
AT INSTALLATIONS IN FRANCE.

B. IT IS CONSIDERED TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE
UNITED STATES TO PURSUE A SCHEDULE WHEREBY SUBSTANTIALLY ALL

FUNDS AUTHORIZED FOR RELOCATION PROJECTS WOULD BE OBLIGATED BY THE CLOSE OF CY 73.

2. (C) ALTHOUGH AWARE THAT US IS OBLIGATED TO REIMBURSE NATO A PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF RPP, REF IS FIRST FORMAL NOTICE THAT THIS REIMBURSEMENT WOULD BE ACHIEVED BY DEDUCTION FROM FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE BY NATO FOR US RELOCATION PROJECTS. DECREASING THE CURRENT NATO CONTRIBUTION IS COUNTER PRODUCTIVE FROM EUCOM POINT OF VIEW SINCE IT WILL RESULT IN A DECREASE IN SCOPE OF REPLACEMENT FACILITIES WHICH CAN BE CONSTRUCTED WITHIN THE CEILING ON THE RELOCATION PROGRAM. A MORE LOGICAL SOURCE FOR THIS REIMBURSEMENT WOULD APPEAR TO BE FROM THE RECEIPTS OF THE SALE OF RPP. RECOMMEND ILD INVESTIGATE FEASIBILITY THIS COURSE OF ACTION.

3. (C) WITH RESPECT TO POSSIBILITY OF OBLIGATING FUNDS FOR ALL PROJECTS IN THE RELOCATION PROGRAM BY END OF CY 1973, PROSPECTS APPEAR DIM FOR PRIORITIES 7, 8, AND 11 (PREPOSITIONED STORAGE FOR LOC/PORT EQUIPMENT). USAREUR SEMI-ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORTS ON RELOCATION PROJECTS TO NATO HAVE REPEATEDLY NOTED THESE PROJECTS REQUIRE CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL WITH NO ESTIMATE WHEN THIS APPROVAL MAY BE EXPECTED. REF B IS MOST RECENT REPORT. BALANCE OF PROJECTS IN THE PROGRAM WILL BE UNDER CONSTRUCTION BY END CY 73.
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